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Further to the Office Action dated December 14, 2004 please enter the following Terminal Disclaimer.

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Statement of Ownership under 37 CFR §3.73(b)(1)(ü):

The Assignee of record is Gateway, Inc., located at Gateway Drive, Y04, North Sioux City, South Dakota, 57049-2000. The Assignment is recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on Reel <u>011600</u> at Frame <u>0015</u>. As Assignee, Gateway, Inc. is owner of a <u>100%</u> interest in the above-identified patent application.

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Gateway, Inc. hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the above-identified U.S. Patent Application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. §154 to §156 and §173, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer of prior Patent No. 6.366.454. Gateway, Inc. hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the prior patent are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is carnestly requested. In the event that issues arise which may be readily resolved via telephone, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the Applicant's attorney to facilitate prosecution of this application at telephone number (605)232-1967.

The undersigned is empowered to act on behalf of the organization for submissions on behalf of Gateway, Inc. A Fee Transmittal is being filed in conjunction with this Terminal Disclaimer for payment of the appropriate fee under 37 CFR §1.20(d). If necessary, please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-439.

Respectfully submitted,

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